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TITLE OF INVENTION: ACTIVE ENCLOUSURE FOR COMPUTING DEVICE

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### Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 69 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 69 day(s).

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	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/075,964	KERR, DUNCAN
Notice of Allowability	Examiner	Art Unit
	ANABEL M. TON	2875
The MAILING DATE of this communication appeal All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIOF the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this app or other appropriate communication IGHTS. This application is subject to	olication. If not included will be mailed in due course. <b>THIS</b>
1. This communication is responsive to <u>04/28/08</u> .		
2. X The allowed claim(s) is/are 4-11,16-19,23-28,30 and 78-10	<u>05</u> .	
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### **DETAILED ACTION**

# Allowable Subject Matter

- 1. Claims4-11,16-19,23-28,30,78-105 are allowed.
- 2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicant's arguments have been considered and are persuasive. The prior art cited of record does not anticipate individually or teach in combination the following limitations:
  - A computing device, comprising: a housing, the housing having an outer surface at least a portion of which is capable of being illuminated by light transmitted through an inner surface of the housing, the housing being configured to enclose at least one internal component associated with an operation of the computing device; a shaped object positioned within the housing in close proximity to the inner surface of the housing corresponding to the portion which is capable of being illuminated by light; and a controllable light emitting device disposed inside the housing, the light emitting device being configured to produce an adjustable shaped light effect for colorizing or patternizing the portion of the housing capable of being illuminated by light in order to alter the ornamental appearance of the housing of the computing device, the light emitting device including an enclosed light source configured to generate the light, a flexible light pipe for redirecting substantially all of the light from the enclosed light source regardless of where the light source is positioned within the housing, the flexible light pipe including a first end and a second end~ the first end being positioned in close proximity to the light source and arranged to receive substantially all of the light

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from the light source~ the second end being positioned in close proximity to the shaped object and arranged so as to illuminate an inner surface of the shaped object so as to produce an illuminated shaped object that is visible from the outer surface of the housing.

A computing device, comprising: a housing, the housing having an outer surface at least a portion of which is capable of being illuminated by light transmitted through an inner surface of the housing, the housing being configured to enclose at least one internal component associated with an operation of the computing device; and a controllable light emitting device disposed inside the housing, the light emitting device being configured to produce an adjustable shaped light effect for colorizing or patternizing the portion of the housing capable of being illuminated by light in order to alter the ornamental appearance of the housing of the computing device, the light emitting device including an enclosed light source configured to generate the light,

a light guide for redirecting the light from the enclosed light source regardless of where the light source is positioned within the housing, the light guide including a first end and a second end~ the first end being positioned in close proximity to the light source and arranged to receive substantially all of the light from the light source the second end being positioned in close proximity to the shaped object and arranged to transmit substantially all of the light from the light source through an exit opening of the second end of the light guide so as to illuminate an inner surface of the housing corresponding to the portion which is capable of being

illuminated by light, the exit opening of the light guide having a shaped configuration, wherein the shaped configuration of the exit opening is projected onto the inner surface of the housing to produce the adjustable shaped light effect at the outer surface of the housing that substantially corresponds to the shaped configuration of the exit opening.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ANABEL M. TON whose telephone number is (571)272-2382. The examiner can normally be reached on 08:00-16:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Sandra O'Shea can be reached on (571) 272-2378. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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